

REMARKS

By this amendment, claim 1 has been substantially revised to more clearly set forth the invention. New claims 4-10 have been added.

Amended claim 1 now calls for a portable handheld electronic camera system for communicating with an image receiving unit. The portable handheld electronic camera system includes a portable transceiver/receiver module including an antenna, a portable camera module, and a portable computer. The system works as follows: the transmitter/receiver module, after receiving an image transmission mode signal, transmits via the antenna the converted image data in an appropriate format.

Claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 USC § 102(e) as being anticipated by Kenmochi et al. (5,900,947).

Kenmochi et al. do not disclose a portable handheld electronic camera system. They disclose a fax system which transmits image data over a dedicated communications line. Clearly they do not disclose or suggest a handheld camera for sending image data via an antenna. There is no suggestion in their fax system for the portable structures now set forth in amended claim 1. It is believed that Kenmochi et al. do not provide any motivation for the system set forth in amended claim 1.

Claims 2-3 depend on amended claim 1 and should be allowed along with it.

New independent claim 4 has been added. It sets forth a portable handheld telephone system with a telephone keypad, an image sensor for capturing image data, and an arrangement for transmitting the image data by a transceiver/receiver, including an antenna. New claim 4 defines a system not known or suggested by the cited art. Kenmochi et al. disclose a fax system. They do not have a handheld telephone system, and their unit is clearly not portable. Further, they do not have a transceiver/receiver with an antenna for transmitting stored image data. Claims 5-8 depend on new claim 4 and should be allowed along with it.

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It is believed that these changes now make the claims clear and definite and, if there are any problems with these changes, Applicants' attorney would appreciate a telephone call.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed none of the references, taken singly or in combination, disclose the claimed invention. Accordingly, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance, the notice of which is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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